Jan. 31, 1925.

Mr. Robert Collier,
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Dear Sir;

Your letter of Jan. 7th. duly received and I thank you very much for taking the time to write me your very interesting letter.

I have a son by the name of D.C.Collier or Durward Cuthbert and we were in New York together at the Pennsylvania Hotel at the time we happened to meet your brother D.C. I remembered his name on account of the literature regarding the Panama Exposition, their mail happened to get mixed in the Hotel. I likewise met your brother's wife who was there with him at the time. I think he stated to me that he was then residing in Washington at 103 Maryland Ave. N.E. My son had a letter from him some time last year from Rio de Janeiro at the time he represented our Government at the Brasilian Exposition. I have almost a complete history of our family up to date but haven't yet compiled same accurately, however we trace our lineage back to Robert Collier of Stone England who married Isabella, daughter of Sir John Doddington of Kent and died in 1505. Then it comes on down to Thurston Collier who married Elizabeth Turnstall during the riegn of Henry VII, and they had a son by the name of James Collier, a linen draper who died in 1544 and then Robert Collier who married Agnes, daughter of Sir Thomas Venable whose will was probated in 1586 and then Robert Collier, son of Thurston who was a merchant in London and married Mary Strannge, widow of [illegible]t. Botolph Aldgate on Feb. 3, 1570 and died in 1625. This Robert Collier had four children:

1 Charles; 2, John, 3rd. Isaac and a daughter Mary.

The Isaac above mentioned was the one who came to America about 1650 settling in York Co. Va. and owned Morgans plantation likewise Porto Bello on the York River which is just above Mt. Vernon.

At some time I will be pleased to send you this information right up to the present date but I am reaching out over the United States to see just how many of our people are scattered about that belong to this direct collateral branch as during the Revolutionary War there were several boys who were brothers of our direct descendant Vines Collier, some came to Georgia, some North Carolina, some out in Ohio and others up in New York State.

I am just in receipt of a letter this morning from George Collier of Warsaw New York and he states his family came from Scotland and belonging to this family was:

David Collier, born 1790
William Collier, born 17[illegible]

Robt Collier
Denver Colo.

George Collier born 1793
Robert Collier, born 1795
Helen Collier, born 1797
Margaret Collier, born 1802
Elizabeth Collier born 1804
John Collier born 1806
Mary Collier born 1808
James Collier, born 1810
Thomas Collier born 1812
Peter Collier born 1814

Some of these descendants went to California, there was a William Collier residing at Riverside. The George Collier that came to America in 1817 apparently was the Father of Judge Collier of Gilpin County Colo. so evidently you are descended from this Collier.

It seems there was a professor G. H. Collier and also a Chas. N. Collier of Oregon also Arthur Collier of the geological survey of Washington D. C. Apparently the Judge Collier of Gilpin Co. Colo. was named Joseph. I assume this was your Father. The names Margaret and Elizabeth are very familiar along in our family line, likewise Mary.

I think James Collier the congressman from Mississippi is directly from this branch also. Would appreciate it if at your convenience you could send me a complete record of your family.

I have two personal friends residing in your City, viz. Dexter and Roy Blount, I presume you are personally acquainted with them. They were born in Florida but practically raised in our town.

Thanking you for your reply to my inquiries I beg to remain,

Yours most respectfully,

J. C. Collier.

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